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RE: Docket No. 2004N-0264

To whom it may concern:

Tt has come to our attention that the FDA has recently stepped back from it's prior commitment to prevent the feeding of mammalian protein to ruminants. We arge your office to immediately return to your policy announced on January 26, to halt this practice effective immediately upon publication of an interim final rule.

We ask you to immediately prohibit the use of use of blood, poultry litter, plate waste, and ALL other animal products (with the exception of milk) in feed for ALL farm animals and prohibit the use of downed animals, animals exhibiting signs of central nervous system disorders, dead stock, and specified risk materials in pet food.

The continued feeding of protein from animals that could be infected with bovine spongiform encephalopathy presents a serious threat to animal and human health.

Thank you for your prompt review of this current policy.

Sincerely,

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Director

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